

Senior Director of Biotechnology at Catalent To Lead Immunogenicity Course



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Ana T. Menendez, Ph.D., Senior Director of [Biotechnology](#) at Catalent Pharma Solutions, will lead a two-day international course on immunogenicity. The course will take place at the Regus Victoria in London on Wednesday, December 2 through Thursday, December 3, 2009.

The interactive course, titled "Introduction to Immunogenicity," will enable attendees to better understand ways to detect, reduce and characterize unwanted [immunogenicity](#). Additionally, Menendez will aid in interpreting the latest regulatory guidelines, and will assist attendees in formulating a winning strategy to implement in their business immediately.

The sessions will include a formal presentation by Menendez followed by facilitated breakout groups where delegates will be given the opportunity to apply the principles taught in the sections. Case studies, cut-point exercises and protocol workshops will increase the participants' hands-on experience in developing and validating sensitive and rugged methods to detect and characterize unwanted immunogenicity.

As part of Catalent's Development and Clinical Services Segment, Dr. Menendez is responsible for the release tests required to verify the functionality and purity of biotechnology products and the complex processes involved in their manufacture. Menendez implemented

biotesting at Catalent and currently leads the following laboratories at the North Carolina Research Triangle Park facility: Cellular Technologies, Molecular Technologies, Virology and Analytical Biosafety. The expertise of the department ranges from proteins (i.e., monoclonal antibodies, enzymes, growth factors) to therapeutic viruses, bacterial vaccines and aptamers. Menendez is an international instructor on bioassay development and validation and a frequent speaker at biopharmaceutical conferences.

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